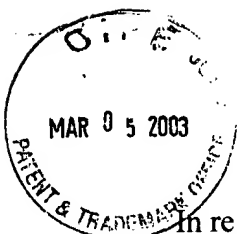


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In re Application of Lee et al.

Group Art Unit: 2672

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

This Response is submitted in response to the Advisory Action, mailed 12/18/02, in connection with the above-identified application.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the Claims as follows shown in clean form pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.121(c)(1)(i). The marked up version of the amendment pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.121(c)(1)(ii) immediately follows the amendment.

Clean Version of Amendment

20. (Amended) A method for partitioning a video image between a foveated area and a background area comprising the steps of:

defining a foveation point in the video image;

defining a foveated area in proximity to said foveation point;

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